

Amendments to Chapter 16-85
Hawaii Administrative Rules

1. Section 16-85-8, Hawaii Administrative Rules, is amended to read as follows:

"§16-85-8 Examination and reexamination. (a) An applicant for licensure shall take and pass the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME), or the Federation Licensing Examination (FLEX), or the three steps of the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE), or an approved combination of these examinations.

(b) Approved combinations prior to the year 2000 are as follows:

- (1) Each part of the NBME may be credited for the corresponding step of the USMLE;
- (2) FLEX component 1 may be credited for steps 1 and 2 of the USMLE; and
- (3) FLEX component 2 may be credited for step 3 of the USMLE.

(c) Applicants for the USMLE shall file the examination application, examination fees, and evidence of education and residency training directly with the testing agency contracted by the board to administer the examinations.

(d) The USMLE shall be administered at least two times per year and the passing grade for each step shall be a score of at least seventy-five.

[(e) Applicants shall have passed all three steps of the USMLE within seven years. Failure to obtain passing scores for each step within seven years shall result in the forfeiture of the score of the step taken outside of the seven year period. The seven year period begins on the date of administration of the first examination which the applicant passed. The applicant shall be required to retake a failed step and obtain a passing score within the seven year period.]" [Eff 1/27/79; am and ren §16-85-8, 6/12/81; am and comp 7/27/87; comp 10/28/89; comp 8/25/90; am and comp 12/22/97; am] (Auth: HRS §453-5.1) (Imp: HRS §453-4)

2. Material, except source notes, to be repealed is bracketed.

3. Additions to update source notes to reflect these amendments are not underscored.

4. These amendments to chapter 16-85, Hawaii Administrative Rules, shall take effect ten days after filing with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

I certify that the foregoing are copies of the rules, drafted in Ramseyer format pursuant to the requirements of section 91-4.1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which were adopted on _____ and filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

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1. Chapter 16-85, Hawaii Administrative Rules, entitled "Medical Examiners, is amended to read as follows: _____

